2023-2024 School Year April Edition Minato City, Nanzan ES Principal Noriaki Kobayashi



A New Start for Nanzan Elementary

The Azabu Hills are enveloped in the warm colors of spring. Today, we welcomed 49 new first graders, and the 2023 school year has begun with 291 students in total.

Congratulations to the new first graders on your enrollment. Also, congratulations to the 2nd through 6th graders on moving on to the next grade. We hope that your children will spend the year with a clear idea of the kind of person they want to become.

Our school's educational goals are "Children who are healthy and cheerful," "Children who think things through and do not give up" and "Children who cooperate and get along with others" We will create three large rings with the families and the local community, and place the students of Nanzan Elementary School in the center of these overlapping rings.

This year, as a Minato City Board of Education Research School, while utilizing "Nanzan style" as our base, we will present our research on creating classes that foster thinking, judgment, and expression through daily classes based on the research theme of "Aiming to foster the ability to learn through utilization of independent and interactive learning ". We will keep our minds and bodies full of energy, engage firmly in learning, and nurture a good balance of virtue, knowledge, and body. Thank you for your understanding and support of our school's educational activities this school year.

My name is Noriaki Kobayashi, I came from Minato City Mita Elementary and I am succeeding Akio Nanba as the principal. I was born in Sumida City and raised in Edogawa City, both cities have a strong connection to rivers and the only hills are the bridges that cross rivers. In contrast Minato City has many hills, and this is the second school I have been assigned to here in Minato.

I played American football in junior high school and rugby in high school and college but I have been not been able to get exercise for some time so I have been trying to get back into the habit of exercising by repeatedly walking up hills every day.

I will do my utmost to support Nanzan Elementary School and the local community. Thank you in advance for your support.

April Calendar of Events

6 (Thu)	Opening Ceremony Entrance Ceremony	14 (Fri)	Urinalysis 1 st Make Up Submission
7 (Fri)	School Lunch Begins (G2~6)	17 (Mon)	Grade 1 Welcoming Assembly
10 (Mon)	Health Check-ups Begin Committee Activities	21 (Fri)	Tatewari Group Introductions
11 (Tue)	Evacuation Drill Parent-Teacher Conference	26 (Wed)	Club Activities
12 (Wed)	School Lunch Begins (Grade 1) Urinalysis 1 st Submission		

April Goal